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- *Integrity First*
- *Service Before Self*
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Col. Rod Gibson, 65th Air Base Wing Commander, fills out his Combined Federal Campaign contribution form as Col. John Calvert, 65th ABW Vice Commander, right, CMSgt. Dave Sutton, 65th ABW Senior Enlisted Advisor, far left and Capt. Robert Mazany, base CFC project officer, wait their turn.

Lajes goal

100 percent contact, \$33,000 donations

SSgt. Rosaire Bushey
Editor

The annual charitable Combined Federal Campaign is in full swing around base and this year people can give to one of more than 1,200 charities or directly to the base youth and family programs.

This year's theme "Making a World of Difference Beginning With the Community" is highlighted by an chance to give at home.

"People will see on their CFC forms, that they can put 'FSYP' in the code boxes for a charity," explained Capt. Robert Mazany, 65th Air Base Wing CFC project officer. "By donating to that fund, a person's contribution comes right

back to their base. It's a great way to help right here at home."

People can choose to pay one of three ways - cash, check and the preferred method of payroll deduction.

Mazany said by using payroll deduction, people can still help their favorite cause, but the money will be taken out over the course of a year.

Over the next couple of weeks, everyone on base should be contacted by their unit key person who can answer any questions about the program. People who haven't been contacted or who don't know who their keyperson is, should call Mazany at Ext. 23514.

"We want to make sure everyone has a chance to donate," Mazany said.

Last year overseas people contributed more than \$7 million to CFC.

Base fire prevention week activities

The base fire department wraps up Fire Prevention Week Saturday with an open house. Events begin at 9 a.m. with a parade. Participants will meet at the elementary and high schools at 8:30 p.m. The parade will wind its way through housing areas and around base.

At 10 a.m. the opening ceremonies will be held at the fire station and at 10:30 a.m. the games begin with the start of the firefighter's olympics. The schedule of events is as follows:

- 10:30 a.m. — Tug of war
- 11:15 a.m. — Hose relay race
- Noon — Break for lunch
- 1:30 p.m. — Water ball contest
- 2:15 p.m. — Bucket brigade
- 3 p.m. — Awards ceremony

Everyone is invited to participate or come out to watch the teams battle for the year-long title of Firefighter Olympics Champion. Teams from base units as well as the base and local Portuguese fire departments will be competing.

Communicators give boost to morale calls

The 65th Communications Squadron announced this week that improvements would be made to the morale call system on base.

According to Lt. Col. Gary Kemp, 65th CS Commander, new defense switching network phone lines will allow more access for people to make calls.

"We've upped the amount of time for calls from 10 minutes to 15 minutes," he said.

Under the old system people were allowed one morale call and a single 1-800 call each week. Under the new rules people will have the same number of calls but can choose how to use them. "If someone doesn't use a 1-800 call one week, they can, if they choose, use that call as a second morale call instead."

The changes are scheduled to take effect later this month. A comprehensive letter will also be made available clearly defining morale call procedures.

Base gets recycling contract

The base environmental flight has secured a recycling contract, putting an end to the base recycling detail. Thanks to work of the detail, however, the base recycled nearly six tons of aluminum and 500 tons of mixed paper and cardboard in FY97.

The contract will provide collection and recycling service for aluminum cans, paper and cardboard on base and in military family housing and drop-off service will be available for members living off-base.

The base is not recycling plastic or glass at this time, but is investigating options to add these programs in the future. Under the contract, services are being phased in over the month of October.

Beginning today the contractor starts picking up bulk cardboard. Housing residents will be able to pick up recycling bins at the housing office Monday through Oct. 17. Bins will be redistributed on base Oct. 20 through 24 and on those dates pickups in MFH will begin.

Other buildings on base will begin their collection between Oct. 27 and 31.

The following are some of what can and cannot be recycled with the program.

- Accepted - Aluminum cans, office and computer paper, newspaper, corrugated cardboard (must be flattened), non-corrugated such

as cereal boxes, glossy magazines and catalogs, bagged shredded paper.

- Not accepted - Aluminum foil, steel, tin or other types of metal, bins or bags with trash in them, juice boxes, milk cartons.

- Scrap metal - Call DRMO at Ext. 23358.

- Large quantities of cardboard are picked up weekly from industrial facility sheds at T-12, T-112, T-126, T-169, T-319, T-323, T-326, T-561, T-605, T-608, T-612, T-709, T-751, T-800 and T-810.

- Special one-time quantities can be dropped off at the trailer in the commissary parking lot, at one of the locations above, or by calling civil engineering at Ext. 23684 for pick-up.

Collection schedule

Housing: Tuesdays and Thursdays

Base facilities and dorms: Paper, Wednesdays; aluminum cans, Fridays; bulk cardboard, Wednesdays.

Santa Rita Hill and other off-base residents - Drop off at trailers at commissary anytime, or weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at T-695.

If people experience any problems with the recycling pick up process, they should call their facility or dorm manager who will fill out an Air Force Form 714 and call a quality assurance evaluator and the contractor will correct the problem.

Navy turns 222

Commentary

YN1 Andre Dyson

U.S. Forces Azores

Monday, the Navy celebrate it's 222nd birthday. The Navy has always been the first line of defense for the American shores and has protected her with pride and valor.

The birth of the Navy on Oct. 13, 1775, saw the British North American colonies, from Maine to Georgia, in open rebellion. On this same day in a meeting held in Philadelphia, the Continental Congress adopted the legislation out of which the Continental Navy grew: "Resolved, That a swift sailing vessel, to carry 10 carriage guns... with 80 men, be fitted, with all possible dispatch for a cruise of three months, and that the commander be instructed to cruise eastward, for intercepting such transports as may be laden with warlike stores and other supplies for our enemies..." This language constitutes the Navy's birth certificate.

Within a few days of that vote, Congress established a Naval Committee, which directed the purchasing, outfitting, manning, and operations of the first ships of the new Navy, drafted naval legislation, and pre-

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police blotter

The police blotter are true incidents affecting members of the Lajes community for the period of Sept. 25 - Oct. 1.

DAMAGE TO PRIVATE PROPERTY

Sept. 25 - Damage to private property, T-252/AFBS. Person(s) unknown broke into a member's POV and stole money from the vehicle, by breaking out a window.

Sept. 25 - Damage to private property, T-1563. A child was observed playing on the hood of a member's vehicle. damage consisted of several surface scratches to the hood of the vehicle

BREAKING AND ENTERING/DAMAGE TO GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

Sept. 27 - Breaking and entering, trespassing/possession of a weapon, T-244/DODDS. During a walking patrol a security forces member discovered a local national sleeping in the closet of a storage facility in possession of a knife.

LARCENY

Sept. 25 - Theft of private property/secure, T-252/AFBS. Person(s) unknown broke into a member's POV and stole numerous CD's and a CD holder from the vehicle.

Sept. 29 - Theft of private property/unsecure, T-715. Person(s) unknown stole a computer scanner.

Sept. 29 - Theft of private property/secure, T-567/CES. Person(s) unknown cut a hole in a fence and siphoned gas from a GOV.

UNSECURED BUILDINGS

Sept. 25 - T-100/ABW

Sept. 30 - T-241/MG

VANDALISM

Sept. 25 - Vandalism, T-244/DODDS. While responding to a fire alarm, personnel noticed damage to the facility.

Sept. 29 - Vandalism. Person(s) unknown damaged a POV.

VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

Sept. 25 - Major GOV-GOV-pedestrian/on base/injuries, T-5691/CES. A civilian was standing on the rear bumper of a backing vehicle when the vehicle struck a second vehicle causing injuries to the pedestrian.

Sept. 28 - GOV-fixed object accident, stray kennels. A member driving a GOV hit a cement block protruding from the ground.

Sept. 30 - Minor POV-POV/no injuries/on base, crosswalk near T-333/gym and T-323/BX. While stopped at a crosswalk vehicle No. 1 was struck from behind by vehicle No. 2.

Incident	Sept. 18-24	97 YTD
Assaults	0	9
Domestic assaults	0	3
Burglary	0	31
B&E/sheds	0	28
B&E/Govt. Bldgs.	1	26
Larceny	4	108
Unsecured buildings	2	146
Vehicle accidents	4	65
DUI	0	3
Vandalism	3	68



Photo/Guido Melo

Leadership

TSgt. John Tyree, an Airman Leadership School instructor who is on temporary duty to Lajes for the annual ALS class, briefs new students on course requirements Tuesday. The school, which is housed in a self-help renovated section of Bldg. T-400, lasts about five weeks and is intended to teach airmen about their leadership responsibilities as they become NCOs.

Lajes Team Players



SrA. Renee
Cronin

Unit - 65th Communications Squadron

DEROS - March 1998

How do you contribute to the Team Lajes mission - I process all Air Force Form 3215s and Air Force Form 9s for communications requirements.

Like least about Lajes - The selection of items at the BX

Like most about Lajes - There's no snow!

dui

Last DUI - Aug. 19
Days without a
DUI - 52

sorties

Sept. 29 - Oct. 5
ACC - 2
AMC - 19
DOD - 10
ALLIED - 8



Make a World of Difference

Give to the Combined
Federal Campaign

So Far...

36% contact

\$3,634 donated



Note: Donations may not accurately reflect the number of people contacted due to the delay between contact and the decision to donate.

For more information on the CFC, call your unit keyperson or Capt. Robert Mazany at Ext. 23514.

Happy Birthday U.S. Navy
Oct. 13



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**222
YEARS
OF
SERVICE
TO
AMERICA**

Toyland opens Monday

SSgt. Rosaire Bushey
Editor

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service base exchange will have its annual Toyland grand opening Monday at noon.

Unlike previous years, the

opening will not have a segment of time strictly for U.S. ID card holders.

"We're having the opening on Monday, which is a United States holiday, so everyone should have ample opportunity to shop," said Christina Parker, deputy exchange manager.

Parker also said there would be plenty of toys for everyone to purchase. "Last year we made some great strides in making sure we had enough merchandise for everyone," she said. "This year we've improved upon our successes of last year."

Four containers of toys are currently on base and Parker said

more is expected and there shouldn't be any empty shelves.

To help customers avoid the jostling crowds usually associated with the Toyland opening, Parker said this year's opening will be held in Bldg. T-800, the warehouse.

"We realize the lower BX can become cramped - especially during a large event such as this," she said. "By using the warehouse we're not only giving people a little more space to move around, we're also allowing more items to be displayed. Right now, we just have too many toys to put in the lower exchange."

New toys will also be found this year as Parker said AAFES offi-

cials and ordering managers are working hard to make sure a variety of new merchandise is available.

Until Nov. 30, toys can be placed on layaway without having to pay the 10 percent down payment. The \$3 non-refundable layaway fee still applies.

The base theater will show two movies, "Good Burger" and "George of the Jungle" at noon and 3 p.m. The cost is \$3 and includes a small popcorn, drink and toy.

People interested in volunteering to help at the theater, should call Ext. 24100.

Town hall meeting focuses on cottages

By TSgt. Patricia Collins
NCOIC, public affairs

Concerns about electrical rates and land transfers in the year 2002 topped the list of questions at a town hall meeting between cottage owners and 65th Air Base Wing leadership Oct. 1 at the community center.

Col. Rod Gibson, 65th ABW Commander, said the meeting was necessary because he wanted to correct misinformation and open a communication channel with cottage owners.

"This is a complex issue and everyone needs as much information as they can get about it," said Gibson. "My concern is quality, affordable housing for every person at Lajes. I'm also concerned that we provide as much information as possible regarding housing so our people can make informed decisions.

"Regardless of location, I want to make sure people know about the environment they will live in and how safe it is. And I want people to know what they're getting into when they sign up for a house. Finally, I want people to know what they're paying for. I in no way want to discourage people from living on Santa Rita Hill. But, I insist people know the facts."

Questions were then taken.

Question: I had an interview with the legal office before I bought my cottage. They explained the difference between the 'G' and 'H' cottages and the ones on Air Base 4 land. At the time there was an idea of the base possibly working through AB4 to cut the same deal of renting the land from AB4 like other cottages. In other words, can the base secure the necessary leases so we can deal with AB4 instead of land owners?

Answer: I'm open for any ideas, but I don't have a strategy to do that. I can't have an interest in private property. We are going to work a strategy that serves you best and also serves the Air Force's interests.

Question: What's the status of power being supplied to cottages?

Answer: We aren't in compliance with an Air Force instruction that says the Air Force can only provide utilities that can't be provided by off-base companies. We currently have a waiver for electricity. When a team of auditors last visited, it determined we should be able to transition to off-base power by September 1998. We are trying to come up with a strategy to do that. I will not sign up to a strategy that says, "Go cut the wire." I'm concerned about

taking care of your interest and treating you as fairly as we can, however, we must get into compliance. The cost of transferring is higher than we thought at first. Civil engineering has looked at this in depth and it looks like the cost is \$500 to \$850. My first cut is that command should pay for your conversion cost, but I was told no way. I don't know an answer, but I want to do this with no pain or the least pain for our people. I'm convinced there's nothing you signed that told you this power would last. The contract you signed said power is provided on a month-to-month basis. I'm not, however, going to cut off the power next month. That's not right. I'm also concerned with getting into compliance with telephones, refuse collection and other utilities. I intend to provide these services until we find someone else to do so, but we must get out of this business.

Question: What is Praia's position on providing electricity?

Answer: They have the ability to provide electricity. They don't, however, want to pay your installation charges. It's my understanding they want to provide this service because it's profitable for them.

Question: In 1994, we were told they were raising our electricity rates to get them in line with off base. Letters that came out with the increase said it was due to operating costs. Which is it?

Answer: Our hopes are to eventually lower utility rates. We are still upgrading generators. At this time the work being done on those power plants increases your rates. That's because rates are established based on fuel, labor and other costs. We recently found out fuel rates were going to go up again. Once the work is done, we should be able to lower prices.

More questions and answers will appear in next week's Crossroads.

Mobile Operations Command Center

*Navy 'weathermen'
forecast more
than sunny skies,
cloudy days*

SSgt. Rosaire Bushey
Editor

With the amount of air traffic flowing through Lajes over the last couple of months, a few extra U.S. Navy personnel working out of extra office space could be easily overlooked. However, these particular people have a mission closely linked with aircraft which could potentially use the base as a take-off point for missions.

The two officers and 10 enlisted people who make up the fleet maritime patrol mobile operations control center, or MOCC, deployed to Lajes Oct. 3 as part of a two week tasking to support P-3 Orion aircraft operations. The two P-3s arrived on base Wednesday from Keflavik, Iceland and will fly missions through Monday.

"The MOCC essentially provides mission planning, preflight/postflight support, crew briefs and debriefs, tactical direction and other information to help the operational units with their mission," said Lt. Dan Emerson, officer in charge of the MOCC.

The crew travels light, based out of Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Fla., they arrived by Navy C-130 aircraft and immediately set up 24-hour operations in Bldg. T-810.

"We brief the crews before they fly out of here regarding weather over their target areas and other weather movements," said AG1 David Anderson, a MOCC unit member. "But we supply more than weather data - we also give the P-3 crews oceanography data and sonar range predictions."

The information given to anti-submarine hunting P-3s lets the crews know what they can expect for performance from their sonar-



Photo/SSgt. Rosaire Bushey

AG1 David Anderson, a member of the Navy's Mobile Operations Control Center, looks over some information that, using special software, will allow him to share with P-3 subhunter aircraft, information to help find and destroy enemy vessels.

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AG1 David
Anderson,
Mobile
Operations
Control
Center

We don't just do 'the weather is partly cloudy', this is the tactical application of weather"

bouy hardware.

"Based on what the water is doing as far as waves and other factors are concerned, we can determine what kind of ranges they can expect from their sonar bouys," Anderson said.

The group also measures a host of other variables for use by their P-3 warfighters. Some of these calculations include electro-magnetic readings which tell the aircraft crew how far away they can pick up signals from enemy submarines.

"We don't just do the 'partly cloudy skies with a chance of rain' weather forecast many people are used to," Anderson said. "What we do here is the tactical application of weather."

Emerson said visits from around the base are welcome at the MOCC so people can see what the Navy crew is doing.

"We only ask that we don't get more than five people at a time," Emerson said. "We're also going to try and let people who want to, tour the P-3 aircraft as operations permit."

Emerson said that by calling ahead, people can arrange a time to visit either the P-3 or the MOCC. For more information, call Ext. 22108 or 22310.

action lines

Col. Rod Gibson, U.S. Forces Azores Commander, presents SrA. Tina Huber with the award for being selected as Lajes' Female Athlete of the Year for 1997.



The Action Line is your tool to help Team Lajes. However, before you call, try to resolve your issue through the appropriate agency. You may remain anonymous, but for a direct answer, please leave your name and phone number. Items of base wide interest will be published. Use the following numbers to help solve problems through base agencies.

Family support	23122	AAFES manager	23209
Commissary	26124	Dining facility	24156
Fitness center	25151	Hospital	23615
CC	25216	Civil engineer	26113
Housing	26251	CE customer service desk	23335
Chaplain	23411	Telephone service desk	119
Security police	26114	Supply squadron	23832
TMO inbound	25168	TMO outbound	24213
Personnel flight	23612	Action Line	24240

Housing area ball field

Children are constantly playing tennis, riding bikes and in-line skating throughout the housing area. What can be done about this?

There are several playgrounds throughout military family housing for families to enjoy. Our family housing brochure that is distributed to every occupant states that "Your neighbor's yard

or streets are not to be used as your child's play areas."

We encourage parents to help us keep children safe through proper supervision, wearing the necessary protective equipment and not permitting them to play in the street. We understand children will skate, ride bikes and play tennis in the street and parking lots, but our bottomline commitment should be to ensure our children's welfare. I ask that we all try to be good neighbors and do all you can to keep our housing areas safe.

Domestic Abuse Prevention Month

Couples should put time aside for themselves

Lynn Jackson
Family advocacy treatment manager

My first question to couples having relationship problems is "When was the last time you were on a date alone together?" The most frequent response is a blank look from both. One or the other will then begin counting back the months or even years.

When we marry, we are two individuals coming together to form a couple. Individuals with hobbies, likes, dislikes etc. During the course of a marriage we give up many things that were important to us as an individual. This is the first problem area, but one most manage to get through.

Then, we become parents and in this process, many find that the couple disappears amidst the diapers, toys and everyday needs of children. Often, couples who have children quickly never really experience life as a married couple and they long for the romance of the dating period.

So, make the time to protect your relationship and friendship. Go on a date.

Many times after this homework assignment, which stipulates they cannot talk about work-related issues or the children, couples return saying, "we couldn't find anything to talk about."

This time alone together need not be expensive or consume a large amount of time from our busy lives. A walk in the evening, a drive to watch the sunset together or a romantic dinner out. If childcare is a problem, what about a romantic dinner at home after the children are in bed.

This means putting a priority on your relationship and making changes. Many parents will feel guilty if they already don't have sufficient time to spend with their children. Despite the pressures, you need to realize you'll be better parents and do better in your work if your marriage is doing better. This means putting some boundaries around all the other things you have to do in life - and carving out time for friendship - and yes, romance.

Navy birthday

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pared rules and regulations to govern the Navy's conduct and internal administration.

From the beginning, the Continental Navy grew to a force that at its peak numbered 40 armed vessels. During the war, the navy's squadrons and cruisers seized enemy supplies and carried correspondence and diplomats to Europe, returning with needed munitions. They took nearly 200 British vessels as prizes, some off the British Isles themselves which demoralized the enemy and forced them to divert warships to protect convoys and trade routes. The Navy provoked the diplomatic crises that helped bring France into the war against Britain.

The Continental Navy gave us our first naval heroes - John Paul Jones, Nicholas Biddle, John Young and Thomas Truxtun. It also gave the Navy our first ships built in the U.S.: 'Alliance,' 'Randolph,' 'Raleigh,' 'Hancock,' and 'Virginia.' Even today, these names are proudly borne by Navy ships.

The Navy has come a long way since 1775. In the time between, the Navy has numbered as few as 620 to as many as more than 3 million members in 1945. The Navy is proud of the heritage that the Continental Navy of 1775 established and on this 222nd birthday will remember three words that have proven and stood the tests of time; Honor. Courage. Commitment. Happy birthday Navy.

How many lighthouses are there on Terceira Island?

Currently, there are two large lighthouses and some small ones located around the island. The purpose of these lighthouses, as anywhere else in the world, is to provide a signal, or beacon, to aid the marine navigation in the area.

The two large lighthouses on the island can be found in the villages of Sao Sebastiao and Serreta. They are the property of the Ministry of Defense and are operated and maintained by Navy personnel who live with their families in the buildings adjacent to the lighthouses.

The lighthouses can be visited Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to noon and from 2 to 5 p.m.

Concerts etc.

Monday and Tuesday — Opera show “Porgy and Bess” by George Gershwin in Angra Theater, at 9:30 p.m.

Oct. 19 — Pipe organ concert in the Church of Sao Goncalo in Angra, 9:30 p.m.

For ticket information on either of these two events, call the Regional Office for Cultural Affairs at Ext. 628011. Tickets will also be on sale at the door one hour before each show.

Bullfight

Saturday — Lajes (Caminho Novo), 4 p.m. **The bullfight season ends Wednesday.**

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The parade of floats scheduled for Oct. 6 in Lajes has been rescheduled for Saturday at noon.

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Hispanic Heritage

Central, North American Hispanic countries leave mark

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This weeks Hispanic Heritage Month cultural awareness features two of six Central American countries - Panama and Costa Rica - along with the only North American Latin country, Mexico.

The Panamanian region was explored by Christopher Columbus in 1502 on his fourth trip to the new world and in 1513 Vasco Balboa crossed the isthmus (a narrow strip of land bordered on both sides by water and connecting two larger bodies of land).

During the 17th century Panama was one of Spain's wealthiest colonial centers, until 1821 when Columbia (with Panama as a part of it) declared its independence from Spain.

In 1880 a French company began to excavate a canal across the isthmus and later sold the rights to the project to the United States. The U.S. supported the Panamanian independence movement from Columbia hoping to gain a more favorable treaty on the terms of the canal construction.

Since gaining independence in 1903 the canal zone has been a dominate political factor in the region. In a 1977 treaty, ownership of the Canal will transfer from the U.S. to Panama in 1999.

Costa Rica, located northwest of Panama is noteworthy among Latin American countries for its

long standing democratic form of government. The first free elections were held in 1889 and except for brief interruptions in 1917 and 1948 it has remained a democratic republic. Costa Rica is predominately European, particularly Spanish. They have no army and sustain extensive systems of education and health services. Costa Rica is also the second largest exporter of bananas after Ecuador.

Next, we move to Mexico in North America, the largest Spanish speaking country in the world. The name Mexico is taken from the Mexca one of seven tribes that inhabited the central highlands.

Mexico was ruled by Spain for more than 30 years and gained its independence from Spain on October 4, 1824. Twenty-two years later in a war with the U.S. it lost what is now Texas, followed in 1948 by lands in present Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, Utah, New Mexico and California.

Mexico's oil resources have made them the fifth leading exporter of oil in the world and they are also the leading silver exporter in the world. The largest city in the world can also be found in Mexico's capital, Mexico City, with 22.2 million people in 1990.

Heritage awareness is an important part of who we are no matter what our background. Educating ourselves and our children should be a part of our daily lives.

New survey assesses quality of life, organizational climate

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — An Air Force survey unlike any before arrives in October at bases worldwide for all active-duty and civilian members.

Base points of contact will administer an entirely new Chief of Staff of the Air Force Survey assessing both quality of life and organizational climate in a single, combined format.

"To reach the Air Force vision, 'Global Engagement: A Vision for the 21st Century Air Force,' we must ensure excellence in quality of life and the work environment for our people," said Air Force Vice Chief of Staff Gen. Ralph E. Eberhart. "The survey is a convenient, anonymous way for members to provide valuable information to leaders in the chain of command — all the way from unit commanders to the chief of staff."

The survey is composed of two sections: quality of life and organizational climate, which total about 130 questions. Separate versions are tailored for civilian and active-duty members.

The Pentagon Quality of Life Office, along with functional representatives responsible for planning and executing major programs at the Air Force level, prepared the quality-of-life section. Key areas addressed are base-level community and educational programs, personnel tempo, compensation, medical care, housing and retirement programs. Survey results will be reported to all wing, numbered air force and major command commanders.

The organizational climate section addresses

14 major themes such as leadership, communication, supervision, teamwork, job satisfaction and general climate. Organizational climate results will be delivered to all unit-level commanders to debrief their organizations and design appropriate actions for addressing major issues. Safeguards are in place to protect individual identities.

"All active-duty and civilian members must have an opportunity to participate," Eberhart said in a letter to all commanders. "We are seeking maximum participation in order for the results to be most effective."

The Air Force Center for Quality and Management Innovation will compile the quality-of-life and organizational climate results in cooperation with the Air Force Personnel Center and U.S. Air Force Academy Office of Institutional Research. Commanders at all levels will receive survey results in January.

In a message to survey participants, Eberhart emphasized the influence the survey will have on key decisions that will directly impact the future of the Air Force.

"We're counting on you to let your voice be heard," he said. "In turn, we look forward to sharing the Air Force-level results early next year."

For more information, a list of installation points of contact and frequently asked questions about the survey, see the Air Force Center for Quality and Management Innovation home page at <http://www.afcqm1.randolph.af.mil/survey/survey.htm>.

AAFES offers teen survey

DALLAS (AFNS) — The Army and Air Force Exchange Service is seeking inputs from teen-agers using the internet.

Teen-agers can complete a survey on the internet at home. They can give AAFES officials ideas on merchandise such as clothing, shoes, audio and video equipment, hair care items and sports equipment.

When teens send in their surveys, they can enter the new AAFES Teen Sweepstakes for a monthly prize. The October prize will be a gift certificate for three single compact discs redeemable at the winner's local exchange.

"This is our latest effort to reach out to teen-agers... who are a very important customer seg-

ment," explained Marilyn Iverson, senior vice president of the AAFES Sales Directorate. "We have an estimated 364,000 customers in the 12- to 22-year age bracket, many of whom will follow in their parents' footsteps, and we want to keep them as customers for a lifetime."

The survey includes spaces for teens to comment about specific brands and products they would like to see stocked in the exchange, and another box for any other comments.

To access the survey and sweepstakes, look for the "teen survey" button on the AAFES web site at <http://www.aafes.com>. To get to the Teen Sweepstakes, teen-agers will need their sponsor's social security and birth date.



Air Force Worldview

People First

Quality-of-life strategy

The Air Force has a long-standing commitment to providing an appropriate quality of life for its active-duty and civilian members and military families, say Air Force personnel officials. This commitment is evident in the annual investment of nearly \$2 billion in QOL programs, such as child development centers, housing and family support centers.

One of the most important steps in determining quality-of-life priorities is to survey Air Force people. During October, the Air Force will survey people as part of an organizational climate and quality-of-life survey sponsored by the Air Force chief of staff. Similar to the 1995 quality-of-life survey, this latest version is intended for all active-duty and civilian members and will be presented in an electronic format at most locations. It is extremely important that people take the time to complete these surveys to help the Air Force identify current trends and determine priorities for the future, say personnel officials.

Previous surveys were helpful in developing the Air Force's current QOL strategy and priorities. The priorities were incorporated into January's QOL Focus Paper, which laid out the "corporate" view of Air Force QOL programs and needs. The QOL Focus Paper is available on the world wide web at <http://www.dp.hq.af.mil/DP/afqol/FOCUS.HTM>.

The seven QOL priorities are:

- Equitable compensation and benefits
- Safe, affordable and adequate housing
- Quality health care
- Balanced impact of high deployment rates
- Community programs
- Preservation of retirement systems and benefits
- Expanded educational opportunities.

The commitment to quality-of-life programs is a key component of the overall Air Force vision.

Movies

All show times are at 7 p.m. unless indicated. Movies are subject to change without notice. Call Ext. 23302 for information. (V= violence; S=sex; D=drug use; L=language)



Saturday

Air Force One

R (V)
118 min.

• Harrison Ford and Gary Oldman. When his plane is taken over, the president's military skills are put to the test as he tries to save his crew, family and guest.

Sunday

Spawn
PG-13 (V)
97 min.

• John Leguizamo and Michael Jai White. Six years after his murder, Al Simmons returns to Earth as Spawn and although he longs to avenge his death, he must choose between it and saving his family.

Monday

Contact
PG (V•L•S)
151 min.

• Jodie Foster and Matthew McConaughey. A story about first contact with extra-terrestrial life. A young astronomer realizes her dream when she detects intelligent radio signals from space.

Tuesday

Wild America
Call Ext. 24100 for rating
107 min.

• Jonathan Taylor Thomas and Devon Sawa. Based on the true life travels of three brothers who are wildlife documentarians.

Wednesday

Picture Perfect
PG-13 (S)
100 min.

• Jennifer Aniston and Kevin Bacon. Kate is an attractive and talented advertising director who is having trouble getting promoted because she's not married. With her best friend's help, she invents a fiancé but she's about to learn what makes the perfect mate.

Thursday

187
R (V•D•S•L)
121 min.

• Samuel L. Jackson and John Heard. A deeply committed high school teacher returns to the classroom after a knife attack by a student. He's now willing to use extreme measures when dealing with student problems.

Oct. 17

Air Force One
R (V)
118 min.

• See Saturday for details.

Lajes passengers will see space-A, Cat. B changes

Commentary

Scott Tiedt

65th Transportation Squadron

Several changes to the category B passenger schedule took effect Oct. 1 which will effect the Lajes community.

• Category B mission MC19/20 routed from Philadelphia to Lajes to Aviano to Incirlik and back through the same to Philadelphia, will no longer pass through Lajes. The flight now goes through Frankfurt, Germany.

• Two DC-8 combination configured aircraft from McGuire AFB, N.J., to Baltimore, Md., to Lajes and back replaced the category B flights MC19/20. These flights arrive at 2 a.m. local Wednesday and Saturday and depart to Baltimore at 3:30 p.m. the same day.

• Category B mission MC11/12 from Norfolk, Va., to Philadelphia to Lajes to Sigonella to Bahrain to Diego Garcia and back arrives at Lajes from Philadelphia at 8:05 a.m. on Sunday and leaves Lajes going to Philadelphia Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

One week each month this mission flies to the Philippines and returns through Lajes, departing for Philadelphia on Friday at 5:30 a.m. instead of the normal Tuesday flight.

• Category M mission X5/X6 (KC-10, commissary rations run) routed from McGuire to Lajes to Ramstein and back - has terminated.

• Two non-passenger bookable C-141 military aircraft will begin servicing Lajes with a routing of Ramstein to Lajes and back arriving at Lajes on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and departing Lajes the same day. Passenger seating will be limited based on available excess cargo space and aircraft commander discretion.

These changes, in large degree, are related to low ridership rates on category B missions worldwide. According to Air Mobility Command statistics, more than 40 percent of category B seats are unused or are being filled with non-revenue producing space available passengers.

The cumulative effect resulted in a loss of \$20 million to the transportation working capital fund in FY96. At the same time, the services have spent \$30 million traveling in commercial service even when Cat B seats were available. The result is double payment by the Air Force - paying for the empty category B seat and paying for a commercial airline ticket.

Headquarters Air Force and AMC have reinforced several policies to improve the ridership rate. In addition to DOD policies to use category B airlift first, travelers must also provide the traffic management office with a 10-day window for permanent change of duty travel. Commanders are being asked to deconflict reporting dates to maximize use of category B airlift, shipping of POVs and household goods shipment dates, and other activities under the control of the traveler must be deconflicted to ensure the ability to use of category B airlift.

People traveling on temporary duty will maximize use of category B airlift. If it is not used, the traveler's commander must review mission needs and validate the reason for non-use of category B to TMO before alternate arrangements are performed. The TMO and the commercial travel office will not book other than category B lift without the required validation of mission impact.

The TMO is committed to providing the best possible service. The key to your successful TDY or PCS is advanced planning and continued support from all base organizations. For best results, contact the TMO passenger service section at Ext. 23442 in advance.



Trade Winds

Saturday

Lunch: El rancho stew, roast turkey, pasta primavera

Dinner: Cajun baked fish, chicken chow mein, beef stroganoff

Sunday

Lunch: Roast beef, grilled ham steak, broccoli-chix spud casserole

Dinner: Baked Italian sausage, fried chicken, Mexican casserole

Monday

Lunch: Salsiche, sausage, peppers and onions, meatloaf, chicken a la king

Dinner: Chili macaroni, veal steaks, bean and cheese enchiladas

Tuesday

Lunch: Rojoes, diced pork and potatoes, pineapple chicken, healthy heart stroganoff

Dinner: Salisbury steak, barbecue spare ribs, curried fish with garbanzo and rice

Wednesday

Lunch: Spaghetti, lasagna, balcalhau a gomes, codfish and potatoes

Dinner: Swedish meatballs, sweet and sour pork, roast turkey

Thursday

Lunch: Lombo do porco, roast pork, ta male pie, vegetarian stuffed cabbage

Dinner: Beef and corn pie, baked fish with garlic butter, summer spaghetti

Oct. 17

Lunch: Feijoada, Chinese 5-spice chicken, sukiyaki

Dinner: Grilled ham steak, szechwan beef, tuna noodle casserole

*(Note: Menu subject to change without notice.
Daily hotline menu: Ext. 24248.)*

Briefs

ESC meeting

The enlisted spouses club has general membership meetings the second Tuesday of every month at the Top of the Rock Club at 7 p.m. The group welcomes all spouses of enlisted members and civilian equivalents. The next meeting is Tuesday. For more information, call Ext. 28782.

Photography contest

Entries for the annual Air Force Photography Contest will be accepted from Wednesday through Oct. 22. Categories include military life, people, nature/scenic, creative effects and computer imaging and enhancement. Youths and adults are judged separately. Call Ext. 25255 for more information.

Youth center

The teen center is sponsoring a Praia skating rink party Oct. 18 from 6 to 9 p.m. Call Ext. 21197 for information.

Halloween hay ride

The Lajes Youth Program is sponsoring hay rides Oct. 29 to celebrate Halloween. The LYP needs people to donate cookies for the event. Call Ext. 23273 if you can help.

Mailing dates

The following are the postal mailing dates for the holiday season.

To the United States

Air letters/cards Dec. 12

Priority mail Dec. 5
Space available mail Dec. 1
From the United States to Lajes

Air letter/cards and
priority mail Dec. 1
Parcel airlift Nov. 21
Space available mail Nov. 21

Mutual funds seminar

The family support center will host a mutual funds seminar Oct. 21 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The long-term investment planning session is limited to 30 people. To sign up, call Ext. 24138.

Theater auditions

Singers, dancers and other performers are needed at the auditions for a holiday theatrical production. The audition will take place in the community center Saturday from noon to 5 p.m. Call Ext. 28095 for more information.

Flea market

The community center will have a flea market Oct. 18 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tables cost \$7.50 each.

LYP slogan

The 1998 youth telethon needs a slogan and everyone is invited to submit an entry. The winning entry will receive a youth telethon T-shirt. For more information, call Ext. 23273.

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Call Ext. 22369

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- Bose Lifestyle 25 home theatre system. Six disc CD player, tuner, TV/VCR receiver, six speakers. Still in the box, never used, \$1,800 OBO, call Ext. 28224.

- Horse, female "Tischel." Great horse for kids, \$250 with lots of supplies. For more information, call Ext. 57810.

- General Electric 31-inch television - needs some repairs, \$100 OBO. Call Ext. 28288.

- Cottage, H-117, two bedroom, one bath, large fenced yard, quiet street, security shutters, newly renovated bathroom, new paint

inside and out, \$4,900. Call Ext. 22452 or 28706.

- 1985 Volkswagon GTI. Good condition. Well maintained. Clutch, front and rear struts, front tires - all replaced in past 12 months, \$2,600. Call Ext. 21326 or 56150.

- Stairclimber, good condition, \$50 OBO, also ladies mountain bike, \$80 OBO, call Ext. 28402.

- Bicycles for sale - Bianchi mountain bikes, eight to choose from, \$275 to \$1,440. Also Bianchi road bikes with Campy groups, Vittoria tires, \$580 to \$700. Call Ext. 28755.

Classified ads run on a space available basis for two weeks.

Briefs *Continued from Page 10*

Jockeys needed

The Top of the Rock Club is looking for disc jockeys. Potential DJs may or may not have their own equipment. Call the club at Ext. 23202 for more information.

Teen party

There will be a teen Halloween party at the old club Nov. 1 from 8 p.m. to midnight. Permission slips are due by Oct. 28. For more information, call Ext. 23273.

Haunted house volunteers

The youth center haunted house needs volunteer guides and ticket agents. The haunted house will be at the old club Oct. 30 through Nov. 1. For more information, call Ext. 23273.

OLA banquet

The Organization Of Latin Americans will be hosting their annual Hispanic Heritage Month Banquet and Dance Saturday beginning at 6:30 p.m. Dinner starts at 7 p.m. The guest speaker this year will be Alice Gibson. For information on tickets, call Shane Griego at Ext. 25118 or Rene Vite at Ext. 27907.

Network authority

The base-level communications squadron

is the authority for base networking issues and is the main conduit to Air Combat Command for implementing, coordinating and requesting network capabilities.

All network requirements should be coordinated through the squadron. Changes to any part of the network infrastructure that potentially impact base network services, operations or security must be coordinated through the local squadron before implementation. To log a help desk request, people should call their unit organizational computer manager who will help solve the problem or contact the 65th CS help desk at Ext. 22222.

CE support group

The 65th Civil Engineer Squadron Support Group will have a Halloween bake sale Oct. 18 at the commissary from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Festival of the Arts

The annual Festival of the Arts will be held Nov. 8 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the com-

munity center. Portuguese and American artists and craftsmen will be selling unique items such as baskets, linens, folk art, wooden items and more.

Proceeds from the event benefit many community and charitable projects through the officers wives club.

American vendors and squadrons that wish to participate in the Festival of the Arts can pick up contracts at the community center. For more information, call Ext. 93031 or 542729.

The deadline for contract submission is Oct. 18 and they can be picked up at the CC. Because of safety regulations, strollers will not be permitted in the CC during the festival.

Correction

The Mission Support/Air Base Wing/Services Top 4 meeting is held the third Friday of each month. If the meeting needs to be cancelled, it may not be rescheduled, but rather carried over to the next scheduled meeting.

Volunteers needed for youth carnival

The community center is looking for volunteers to help with the youth Halloween carnival. This year's carnival is scheduled to be held at the old club.

People interested in helping run games and booths for the children, should call John Thurmon at Ext. 25216.

Professor offers chance to discuss local master's program

Troy State University has the only master's degree program offered at Lajes, a Master of Science in International Relations. With the reduction in the U. S. military presence at Lajes, the number of courses offered by TSU have been reduced to provide better use of full-time professors.

"This in no way was intended to signal a reduction in the quality of the program, and TSU will continue to offer at least one course here every term and even more through distance education," said Phil Wittenberg, TSU's European Director, who was recently here for the Quality Education System inspection.

For Term II, TSU is offering an eight-day concentrated course, **Seminar in International Relations**, to be taught here. In addition, three distance education courses are avail-

able: **Contemporary American Foreign Policy - a required course; Seminar in International Relations; and Developed and Developing Nations.**

Registration for Term II is Nov. 3 to 14. Also, Peterson is offering a study tour/seminar in Germany from Nov. 8 to 16. This is a three-credit hour tour, but seating is limited.

Ambassador John Clingerman, presently at Lajes teaching **Research Methods** for Troy State, said he welcomes the opportunity to meet with students to discuss the TSU program. People who are enrolled or just want to learn more about the program, and who are interested in this opportunity can call Pat Conley at Ext. 23375. Clingerman will be available until Oct. 21.

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Tip of the Week

Courtesy - Lajes First Sergeant's Council

Reminder - necklaces are not to be visible when worn under the uniform and can pose a safety hazard. Weigh the options and decide if it's worth the risk. Be safe, be happy and, above all, be in standards. You represent us all.

Protestant schedule

Saturday — 6:18 p.m. -

Lutheran

Sunday — 9 a.m.

Evangelical service

Noon Gospel service

Catholic schedule

Saturday — 5 p.m. Mass

Sunday — 10:30 a.m. Mass



Thought for the Week

"Ask and you shall receive, so that your joy may be complete".

Jn 16.24



Pigskin picks

• Week 6 •

The season is starting to spread contestants apart, but Charlene Longley still has a death grip on first place - a position she's held since week two.

This week **Nettie Paulus** took first-place honors and she'll receive a Superbowl XXXI mug courtesy of the 65th Services Division. Random prize winners were **Gary Sweet** and **Cory Schall**, who will each receive prizes courtesy of Services; and **Shiela Kowalewski** who gets a T-shirt from the Army and Air Force Exchange Service New Car Sales division.

Winners can pick up their prizes at public affairs, Bldg. T-100. **Prizes not claimed within two weeks will be redistributed.**

Top 20 after Week 6:

1	Charlene Longley	62-20
2	David Conley	59-23
	Daron Hampton	
	John Thurmon	
5	Carmen Gonzalez	57-25
	Debra Huntley	
7	Ryan Brownmiller	56-26
	Chris Coleman	
	Jessie Miles	
	Thomas Young Jr.	
11	Randy Bialcik	55-27
	Henry Gonzalez	
	Vernon Griggs	
	Doug Hanson	
	Dave Miles	
16	Parry Campbell	54-28
	James Faircloth	
	Roy Longley	
	Kevin Mathieu	
	Antonio Ribeiro	

Bottom five

110	Dane McKenzie	39-43
	Irene Moore	
	Francisco Nogueira	
113	Emerita Lardon	38-44
114	Geoff Fischer	36-46
115	Dave Hicks	33-49
116	Rebecca Mosley*	29-33

* Mosley began the season during week three.

Bowling notes

- The bowling alley will have a Columbus Day special Monday. There will be reduced prices for bowling and shoe rental from 2 to 10 p.m.

- The bowling alley now offers youth and adult discount practice cards which are good for 25 games. Call Ext. 26169 for more information.

- Until April 15 league bowlers can bowl for \$1 per game. Members must present a valid ABC/WIBC card to receive the discount.

Youth sports

- A youth cheerleading camp will take place Oct. 25 from 10 a.m. to noon. Football camps will be held Oct. 20 through 23. There is a fee. For more information, call Dawn Boseneiler at Ext. 23273.

- Volunteer coaches and officials are needed for flag football and cheerleading, call Ext. 23273.

- Flag football coaches certification class will be held at the youth center Wednesday and Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. Call Ext. 23273 for more information.

Air Force cycling

People interested in beginning an Air Force Cycling Program at Lajes should call the outdoor recreation office at Ext. 24140. If the program is approved, participants can receive prizes based on the number of miles ridden. For more information, call outdoor recreation

or Dean Gracey at Ext. 28755.

TILGA tournament

The winners for the September Terceira Island Ladies Golf Association Couple's Tournament were:

First - Jan and Armin Klatt

Second - Donna Brown and Aaron Brown (no relation)

Third - Ron and Lisle Holland

The TILGA will have its next general meeting Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at the golf course. For information on tournaments and membership, call Ext. 28555 or 28714.

Donations needed

The Lajes Fat Tire Bike Club is looking for used toys and bikes, in any condition, for this year's Toys for Tots Ride. Call Ext. 28755 for pick-up or for more information.

Roughriders

The Roughriders are having a meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. at H-205B. People with equipment such as jumping poles or past records, are asked to bring them. Anyone with equine interests is welcome to attend. For more information, call Ext. 28237 or 28224.

TRANS golf tourney

The 65th Transportation Squadron will host a golf tournament Oct. 17 beginning at noon. The format is a four-person/four club select shot and the cost is \$10. For more information, call Ext. 24227.

Global XVII Volkssport '97 kicks off Monday

The 65th Services Division Outdoor Adventure Program hosts the local edition of Global XVII Volkssport '97 Monday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The starting point for the 10K walking or biking course is the community center and free refreshments and snacks will be available.

People wishing to ride can use their

own bike, or use one free from the 20 available at outdoor rec. People are advised to reserve one by calling Ext. 24140.

The event is open to all U.S. and Portuguese military and civilian members.

The first 50 walking and first 25 cycling finishers will receive a Volkssport medal. Call Ext. 24140 for information.

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press time. Stay tuned to TV8 for updates on
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